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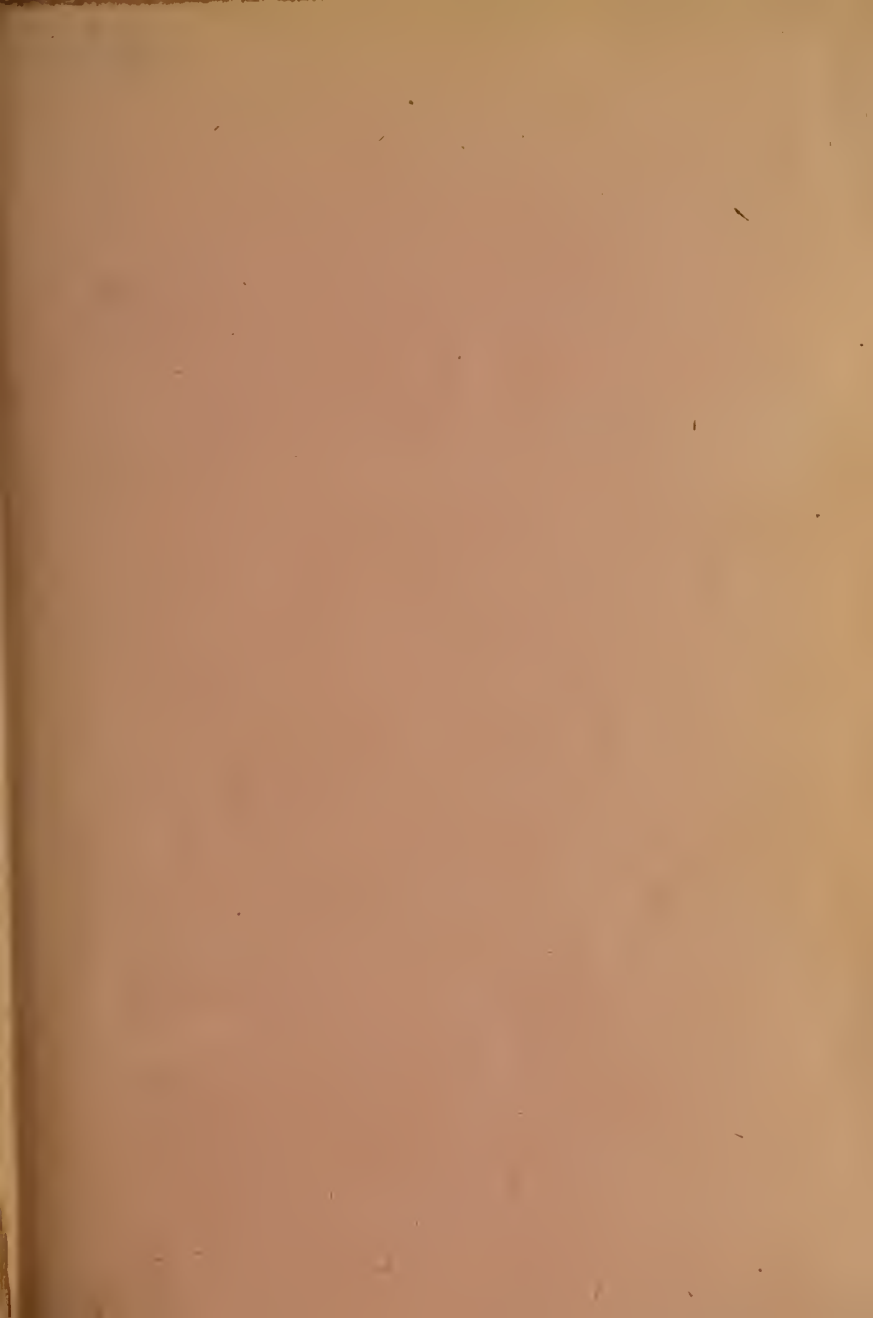
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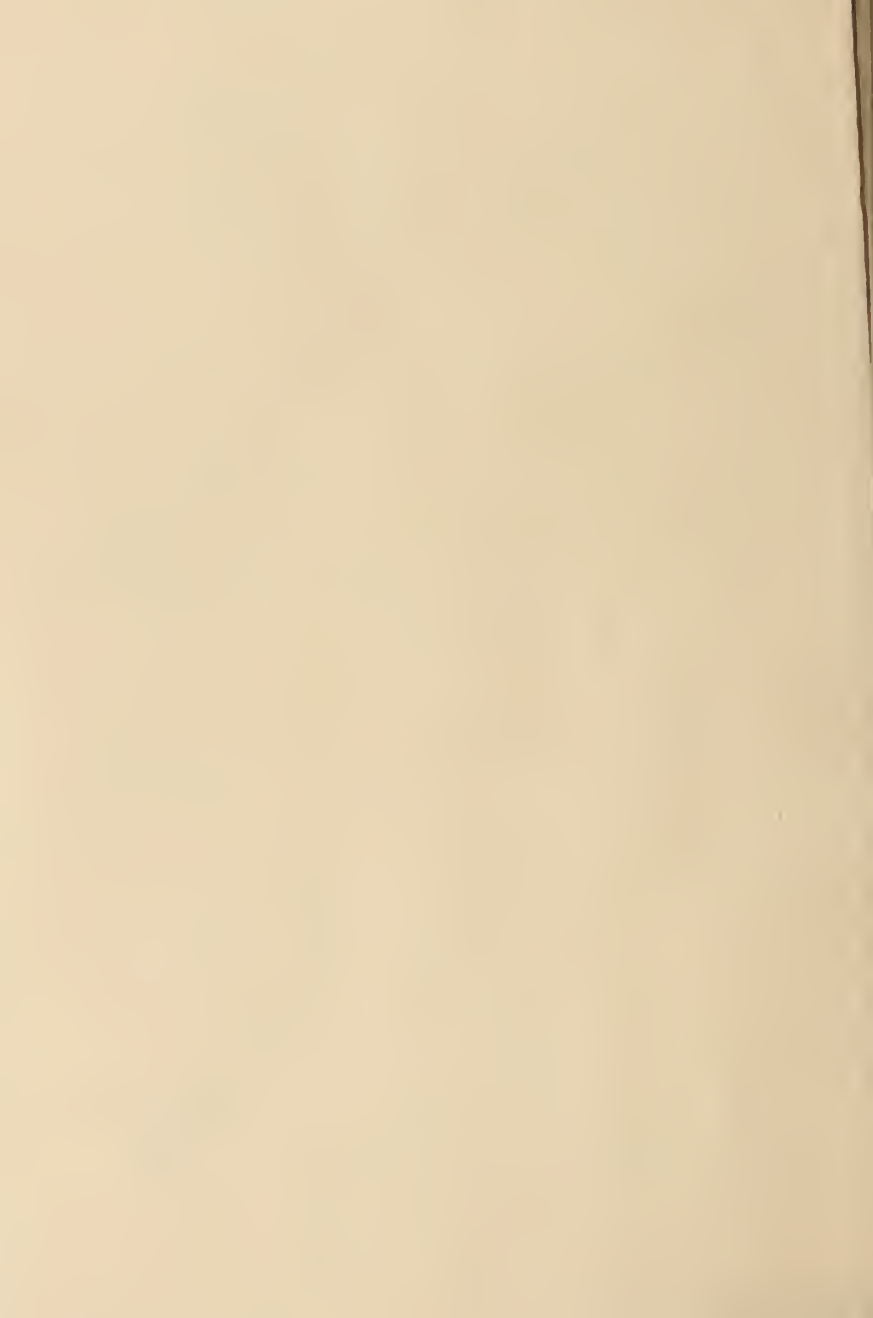
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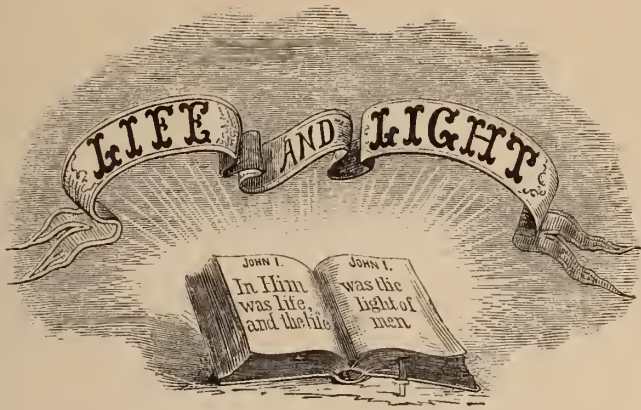
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GIRLS' SCHOOLS IN TURKEY.

Number One.

AT MARSOVAN.

THE "Mission Training School for Armenian Girls," now known as the Marsovan Girls' Boarding School, is the oldest of the girls' schools now existing in Turkey. It dates back to the year 1845, when it was organized in the home of Dr. Goodell, in Pera, the foreign quarter of Constantinople. Its first teachers were the "Missionary Sisters," Miss Harriet M. Lovell—afterwards Mrs. Hamlin—and Mrs. Everett. It was subsequently removed to Hasskeng, the Armenian suburb of Constantinople, finding a home, after weeks and months of fruitless search for a suitable building, in the ruined old mansion of an Armenian banker. Miss West, who was then in charge of the school, gives the following graphic description of its surroundings:—

"The grounds are narrow, and without shade-trees. The court in front is small, and paved with stone. From the spacious entrance-hall we wander up stairs and down, but soon become bewildered amid the many abrupt turnings, narrow corridors, dusky corners, closets, and suits of rooms opening from huge halls in what seems to be two or three houses thrown into one.

“It is almost a ‘Sabbath-day’s journey’ from parlor to kitchen. This great laboratory for the wants of the inner man, is on the ground floor opening on a lower street. It is a dismal den, black with the smoke of half a century, and dimly lighted by windows eight feet from the floor. In the centre of the roughly-paved floor is a well of water; and wooden troughs for washing are ranged near by. The upper rooms are profusely decorated with gay frescoes: here a painted Jezebel looks out of the upper window of a modern dwelling; there a chair stands forth conspicuously as an object of curiosity; gaudy flowers figure largely on the Russian canvas ceiling; great chandeliers, festooned with cobwebs and dim with dust, are suspended in the wide halls; marble slabs support the ends of the divans and fill the niches in the walls. But the original color of the paint is scarcely apparent on much of the wood-work, so thickly is it encrusted with the accumulations of years; and around the numerous rents in the miserable matting on the floors, the dust and dirt has thickly clustered and congealed.

“This ‘prison-like palace’ having been secured, the work of renovation began. The ragged matting torn up, the dirt shoveled and carried away in great basketfulls, and plenty of water, soap, and sand, inaugurate a new dispensation. The upper windows let in a flood of glorious sunlight, and the floors, released from their long imprisonment, look fresh and bright as they echo to our fearless tread.

“Look in upon the pleasant parlor; snowy muslin curtains drape the many windows; a few engravings adorn the walls; the broad divan is neatly covered with chintz, and a home carpet is on the floor. A table in the centre, a few chairs, a case of books, and a sweet-toned piano, the gift of a beloved Christian friend, complete the furniture. One of the largest halls, near the entrance from the lower street, is fitted up with cane settees and a plain pulpit to serve as a chapel, and the house is solemnly dedicated to the service of its unseen Master.”

The routine of the school in this quaint old building, was as follows:—

“The rising bell rings at half past five. At six all assemble in the school-room, and unite in singing a verse of some morning hymn, followed by a brief prayer for a benediction on the new day. They then disperse to their closets for twenty minutes private devotion. The breakfast-bell rings at half past six; and the group of neatly-dressed Armenian girls, gathered around the simply-spread table, is a pleasant sight. After the blessing, each one repeats her verse of Scripture as her text for the day. Breakfast over, they scatter to their domestic work; and when the preparation-bell



MARSOVAN.

1, Catholic Church. 2, Armenian Church. 3, Armenian School. 4, C. C. Tracy's Hired House. 5, Walnut-Tree entirely hiding the Girls Boarding-School, which joins on to C. C. T.'s; and, also J. F. Smith's Hired House.

rings, the morning work is completed and the house in order. School commences at half-past eight. The pupils are in their seats, each with an open Bible upon the desk before her. They rise when the teacher enters, and respond to her salutation with a salaam. The first hour after opening is spent in the study of God's word, and it is the most delightful of the day. No other text-book can wake up mind and strengthen intellect like the Bible."

So the days went on, growing into months and years, and one by one its graduates went forth from its doors to become Christian mothers, wives of native pastors, Bible-women, and teachers of village schools. In 1862, one hundred and twenty-eight had been taught within its walls, one-half of whom were church-members. Who can estimate the beneficial influence of these representatives of Christian womanhood among the various races of the Turkish Empire?

At this time it was thought best, that as the school was designed to educate teachers for the interior, that they should be educated in the interior, and it was decided that the school should be removed to Marsovan. The closing exercises in Constantinople were thus described by Miss West:—

"The year closed with a public examination, which was well attended by missionary and other friends, besides many Armenians living in the vicinity. But the most interesting feature of the closing up of this dispensation was the re-union, which took place on Monday, the last day of June, at the school home. Written invitations had been sent to all the former pupils in and around Constantinople, and at an early hour they began to assemble. The gathering took place in the large hall; former graduates occupying seats in the centre, and the graduating class, with their teacher, taking one side. The first pupil of the school sat on the opposite side with her little children and two of her early associates beside her. There were present thirty of the former pupils, with twelve of their children. The graduating class numbered twelve.

"The exercises consisted of singing by the pupils, and addresses, full of touching reminiscences, by Dr. Goodell, Dr. Hamlin, and Pastor Muggerdich, the husband of the first pupil in the school. After the formal services were over, little knots gathered in various corners, and busy tongues were chatting in two or three languages. But there was one scene that stirred the current of feeling more than anything else. It was a number of the early pupils gazing, with deep emotion, upon the pictures of their sainted teachers, Miss Lovell and Mrs. Everett, in the 'Missionary Sisters,' lately published. The hearts of the missionaries yearned over some

whom they feared had forgotten the faithful teachings of those loved ones; but memory seemed busy, and voices of the past were revived by the silent pictures over which they were bending. It was felt that many of the broken links of love were gathered up, and knit with a firmer grasp by that brief interview."

The intention was that the school should be opened in Marsovan, in 1863; but owing to adverse circumstances, the re-opening was postponed till 1865, when it was started under favorable auspices, Miss Fritcher having been brought from Harpoot to have it in charge. It gradually increased in size and efficiency, till in 1869 its pupils numbered thirty-five. In the autumn of that year, a class of five graduated, all but one of whom were Christian girls. In the following year there were nine graduates, two of whom were Christians when they entered, and all the others, with one exception, became such while in the school. In a short time seven of these were engaged in teaching; two of them remained as assistant teachers in Marsovan; one was married to a graduate of the Theological Seminary; and one, a blind girl, was doing a great amount of good, going from house to house, and laboring with her less-enlightened sisters.

Since the opening of the school in Marsovan five classes have graduated, numbering in all thirty-one members. Seventy-five, exclusive of the present pupils, have been in the school for a longer or shorter period, many of them having become far advanced in their studies, although the prescribed course for graduation had not been completed. The standard of scholarship has been gradually raised, resulting in the organization of a preparatory school for those not sufficiently advanced to enter upon the regular course. The last examination of which we have had any report, November, 1876, "was held one evening and one whole day, closing in the afternoon with the presentation of diplomas. The graduating class were arrayed in a simple uniform—light calico dresses, white jackets, and aprons trimmed with a stripe of the calico, pink bows at the throat, and pink gauze headkerchiefs. Their behavior was as simple and becoming as their dress, and their recitations very good." The studies in which they were examined were Jewish History, Algebra to equations of second degree, Armenian History, Moral Science in Armenian and Turkish, Church History, and Physiology. In 1875 a request was sent for an appropriation of a thousand dollars for a new school-building, as the old one, for various reasons, had become almost uninhabitable. The request was heartily responded to by the Woman's Board, and the required sum—raised by our New Haven Branch—was placed at their disposal in May, 1876. Owing to the rumors of war and the

proverbially slow progress of any undertaking in Turkey, the building has but just been completed.

Of the estimation in which the school is held in the mission, we may learn from the annual report, in 1875, which says:—

“There is no work in Turkey more paying or more patience-trying than girls’ boarding-schools. To train woman’s mental and moral character, so as to enable her to keep and hold her true place, and exert her appropriate influence, certainly requires power and skill, as well as grace. Some of the subjects of our training disappoint expectations, and some more than realize them. There are jewels in this school,—those who are sure to be useful and beloved wherever they go; there are others whose diamond character requires a good deal of polishing to bring it out; but on the whole, a finer, more sensible set of girls, cannot easily be found in this country, than those gathered in Marsovan Seminary. The work spent on these girls is never, probably, in vain, while it sometimes yields large rewards.

“Blessed is the young lady who comes from her native land to devote her life, heart, and soul to the Christian training of woman in Turkey, or any other equally needy land. Many will rise up and call her blessed.’ Though she may sacrifice most that is commonly considered desirable in this life, yet she, in reality, renounces the less to secure the greater. Instead of becoming the head of the household, she becomes the mother of a nation, in its truest, best sense. Her pupils will remember her as such, and impart the influence received from her to their children and their children’s children, or to multitudes whose instructors they may become.”

INDIA.

“WHO IS THAT SINNER?”

BY MISS SISSON, OF MADURA.

I HAVE written of the mother of one of my pupils, an old Hindoo woman, who came very regularly to church. She has missed but one Sabbath—when her daughter was ill—since she began to attend, some seven or eight months ago. She listens with great apparent interest to everything, and in the Bible-readings in her house, has been delighted with what she has heard, asking most interesting questions. I had felt for a long time, that, as compared with the ordinary heathen mind, she had much knowledge. After all these months of listening in church and house, a question she

recently asked me will illustrate how the "light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not." One Monday morning she said to me:

"Ammal, I would like to ask you a question, if you would not be offended. In the church they are always a preaching and a praying and a singing about a sinner; who is that sinner? Who is he?" she added, in a mysterious whisper.

There was a hush in the room;—on her part, of expectation of the name of the great sinner which I was to confide to her,—on mine, of confusion, and almost dismay, that in all these months of listening, and, seemingly, eager listening, she should have comprehended no more of the wondrous plan of salvation. There was a hush, and in it, my ignorance carried its burden to my Lord and pleaded with the Liberal Giver. Then, as the old lady brought her ear nearer to catch the whispered name, I said, solemnly,—for did I not know that eternal interests were wrapped up in the announcement?—"You are that sinner."

Surprise, indignation, fear, chased each other over the dear, worn old face, and stillness again fell between us.

It is not given me to know the leagues of thought traveled over by her mind, or the lightening-like rapidity with which memory looked back over sermon and song and prayer, with ever-recurring burden of sin or sinner, or what were her conclusions, if she came to any; I only know she finally turned to me with moistened eyes and pleading voice:

"Ammal, I do not understand it; tell me how it is—what it all means."

Another telling of the "Old, Old Story;" another going home to pray for heathen minds, with a deeper sense of "how great is that darkness," perhaps, than ever before. Inquirer, as you see that she is, will you not unite your prayers with ours, that she may open her heart to, and only to, "the Light of the world?"

The long, long-delayed rains are drenching us at last. This greatly increases the present suffering, which is indescribable, though they rainbow the future with promise of coming crops. It is supposed there will be one-quarter less people to eat the next crop!

SPAIN.

THE GIANTS OF SPAIN.

BY MRS. ALICE GORDON GULICK, OF SANTANDER.

In many Spanish cities, at the time of processions or fairs, and especially during Carnival, two giants and two dwarfs are sent out

by the city government to promenade the streets. They are most ridiculous in appearance, and are always followed by an admiring crowd, which keeps up an animated talk with the men within,—the motive power of the creatures,—and for whom light and air are provided by an opening covered with black gauze. The giants are at least nine feet in height, and the dwarfs are correspondingly broad.

I never found any person who was able to give a reason for the existence and preservation of these monstrosities; and certainly no one could ever explain why they should be provided by the city government, and when not in use, be carefully stored in the Court House. At least it is so in this city, for I saw them the other day standing before the window of one of the upper stories of the government building, their amazing countenances visible a long distance down the street.

There was an account last week in one of the papers, of a curious incident which lately occurred in Grenada, in connection with the display of the giants in religious processions, and which presents a striking example of the deep religious ignorance which exists in many parts of Spain. It was the day of *Corpus Christi*, or Holy Thursday, and the usual procession of the images of our Saviour, of the Virgin Mary, and of various saints, borne on the shoulders of men, was on its way through the streets of the ancient city.

In the crowd of people which gathered to see it pass, was a lady accompanied by two younger persons,—her daughters, without doubt,—whose manner indicated that they came from some country village. The anxiety shown in their countenances, and the interest with which they observed everything, made it plain that their principal object in coming to the city was to see the procession, which is renowned even in the remote villages of the province. They had waited but a few moments, when there was a stir among the people, and there appeared two giants and two dwarfs, preceding the procession by some distance, and indicating the route which it was to take. As they advanced, the simple-hearted women, full of pious fervor, began to beat their breasts. But upon the nearer approach of the uncouth figures, for a moment their curiosity overcame their devotion. "What ugly saints!" exclaimed one of the daughters, as she looked at the dwarfs, representing a Chinese man and woman. "Look! look! They are walking on their own feet! What a marvellous thing!" And all three took the greatest pains not to lose a single movement of the figures, stretching their heads above those in front, in order to see everything to their satisfaction.

"Look carefully!" exclaimed the mother. "See the Most Holy Virgin! What a lovely face! What exquisite colors! What bright

and beautiful eyes!" she continued, as she saw the giantess, who represented a Moorish woman gorgeously dressed. "And the Lord!" exclaimed one of the daughters, indicating the giant Moor. "What a sympathetic countenance! My God! how beautiful Thou art! Pardon us, and grant that when we go to purgatory, we may be there but a short time;" and, as they saw that the Moor moved his head and arms, they believed that the Lord had heard and accepted their prayer. Deeply moved by such goodness, the three women knelt upon the ground, and fervently recited a creed to the Moor, and an *Ave Maria* to the companion whom they thought represented the Virgin Mary.

This pious duty fulfilled, and before the figures were out of sight, the mother said, "Shall we go? It only remains for the people to pass now." "Yes," replied the daughters; and as they went away, they exclaimed, full of enthusiasm, "How beautiful the procession of *Corpus* has been."

Was there ever a greater exhibition of ignorance, superstition, and idolatry? One cannot but exclaim, O Lord! when wilt Thou grant that this beautiful but benighted land may be the home of the Gospel, and that its people may learn of Thee, the only true God, and of Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent to redeem them from superstition, sin, and death?

Our Work at Home.

ANNUAL MEETING.

BY MRS. S. BRAINARD PRATT.

A "CLEAR shining after rain," ushered in the Tenth Anniversary of the Woman's Board of Missions, which was held in Mt. Vernon Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 15th and 16th, 1878. The pulpit was tastefully decorated with festoons of vines and fragrant flowers, while the text in evergreen letters on the galleries, "Not unto us, O Lord, but unto thy name give glory," struck the key-note of the meeting.

The exercises were opened by singing the doxology, after which the President, Mrs. Albert Bowker, read from Psalms 115th and 116th the same Scripture lesson which was read at the Annual Meeting ten years before. After prayer by Mrs. Chadbourne, of Williamstown, the President paid a tender tribute to the memory

of the co-workers who no longer shared in the earthly service, comprising nearly one-half the original Board of Directors. She also recognized the bestowing hand of God, that had called so many Christian women to the work, and cordially welcomed the representatives who were present from the large constituency. A hymn, written for the occasion, was sung by Miss Gould, the audience joining in the chorus. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. G. B. Putnam, and the Annual Report was given by Miss Abbie B. Child.

Miss Carruth, Assistant Treasurer, reported the total receipts for the year as \$84,630.77.

An amendment to the Constitution having been proposed at the last meeting, and a committee having been appointed for the purpose of revision, the Chairman, Mrs. Gulliver, presented the amended Constitution, which was unanimously adopted.

The enrollment of representatives from the various organizations of the Board, which was then taken, showed the presence of large delegations from distant branches, as well as from the constituency in the vicinity of Boston.

An interesting address was then given by Mrs. Snow, of Micronesia. In vivid colors she gave the contrast between the appearance of Strong's Island, at the time when missionaries first visited it, and now. Then, the natives used to spend whole nights singing heathen songs, till they became so hoarse that they could sing no longer; that has passed away, and instead, you can hear their pleasant voices as they go about their work in hymns of praise to Jesus. Their dress then was only a narrow strip of cloth, for both men and women, worn about the loins; now, if you go into any one of their three stone churches on the Sabbath, you will see them all carefully and neatly clad. Then, they had no books nor written language; now, they have most of the New Testament, the Psalms, and some other parts of the Old Testament, and three-quarters of them can read. They have had no missionary living with them for ten years, but carry on their own meetings and Christian work. One dark feature was alluded to, in the fact that while in 1852 the population of Strong's Island was 1,700, through the demoralizing vices introduced by foreign sailors, it is now but 400. Yet a ray of light seems breaking, for the Gospel of Christ has banished vice, and last year the excess of births over deaths was three. There are one hundred church-members on the Island, and more than twice that number who have joined the church triumphant. When dying, they seem to have no fear of death, and a touching story was told of the son of the king, who, with his last breath, asked them to sing,

“Shall we gather at the river.”

One Christian woman on the Island of Ebon, said, "Oh, Mr. Doane, why didn't your people send somebody here sooner to our fathers and mothers?" Mrs. Snow closed with an earnest appeal to Christian women, that they would be more ready to make sacrifices for Christ.

* A sadness was thrown over the meeting by the intelligence of the death of Benjamin E. Bates, the husband of the Treasurer. After a deep expression of sympathy, and uniting in singing,

"We share each other's woes,"

the audience adjourned to the vestry below, where between 500 and 600 ladies from a distance, partook of a bountiful collation.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After singing by Miss Gould, and the re-election of the old Board of Officers for the coming year, by request of the President, Mrs. Hooker, of Springfield, led in prayer, remembering the newly-elected officers, and especially commending the bereaved Treasurer to the God of the widow. The remainder of the afternoon was devoted to

REPORTS OF BRANCHES.

Miss Halsey, secretary of the Philadelphia Branch, said that their location, in a measure, limits their growth; and while they especially prize their kinship with this family of Christ's, and pledge their support to it most heartily, they do it humbly, feeling that they are but sowing seed for future reapers.

Mrs. Hart, president of the New Haven Branch, purposely omitted statistics, which she considered good campaign documents, giving rather the spirit of the Branch, which was hopeful and courageous. She commended their system for county work, they having four vice-presidents who were held responsible for the nurture of auxiliaries, and who had been most successful in the prosecution of their work. Their meetings were well attended, and though they had been favored in the presence of missionaries, they found they could have good meetings without them.

Mrs. Fairbanks, president of the Vermont Branch, said while they could not compete in great deeds with other branches, they would be excelled by none in love. During the year they had added nine auxiliaries and eight mission-circles to their organization. They had more than met their pledged work, their receipts being about \$5,000. In their meetings, the sweet voice of Mrs. Bissell, in story and song, had drawn many hearts to her and her work. Mrs. Snow had given them a new interest in Mieronesia, and while they were humbled that they had done so little, they were also thankful that they had been permitted to do so much.

Mrs. Wilkinson, secretary of the Rhode Island Branch, reported a full attendance at their fourth annual meeting, which was held in October. Continued activity was reported by the auxiliaries, but they felt strongly that there could be no success without much nurture, as well as the first work of organization. The receipts for the year had been \$3,471, which was an increase of \$300 over those of last year. Their state being small, they cannot expect large additions, but they aim to make the existing organizations efficient.

Mrs. Dana, Treasurer of the Maine Branch, reported six new auxiliaries and one mission-circle, with an increase of funds and interest. They realized that their territory was large, after taking a voyage of twenty-one hours to Calais, where their last annual meeting was held, and they were hoping to increase their number of auxiliaries, and assume new work. Receipts for the year, \$3,743. One thing which they felt had been productive of good, was a New Year's letter sent to each conference in the State: one conference averages \$100 for each auxiliary within its limits.

Mrs. Knight, secretary of the New Hampshire Branch, brought greetings, and said it was a joy and delight to come and join in the fellowship. Their Branch was born four years ago, and while the little one had not become a thousand, they numbered 135 organizations, and should not be satisfied until they had an interest in every church. They raised \$1,500 their first year, and nearly \$4,000 the last. Every year, besides their permanent work, they take some special pledge. Their conference meetings were very interesting and much valued, and they felt more and more the importance of influencing the young, and linking them with us in this work.

Mrs. Cooley, secretary of the Springfield Branch, said that the logic of facts was winning friends to the cause. Their monthly meetings were well attended. Christian women, by degrees, were stepping over the threshold, and finding themselves warmed through and through. Their receipts for the year showed an increase of \$200, amounting now to \$3,285. Their motto was, more and more, "The whole wide world for Jesus."

Mrs. Sanborn, secretary of the Hartford Branch, said while they felt that they had not much whereof to boast, yet thought if their growth was slow, it was sure. They have now twenty-six auxiliaries and sixteen mission-circles; their receipts for the year being \$3,404. The annual meeting in October was large and of much interest, Miss Porter, of China, and Mrs. Snow, from Micronesia, having been present.

Miss Gilman, secretary of the Eastern Connecticut Branch, said they were encouraged to think the interest was growing. They have now thirteen auxiliaries and eighteen mission-circles, and

they had been trying to pay old debts on LIFE AND LIGHT. They look forward to new work with the need of constant prayer and dependence on Him who said, "Without me, ye can do nothing."

Mrs. Butler, president of the New York Branch, found many reasons for encouragement in their Branch, which was organized two years ago. They have appointed local vice-presidents, who are doing efficient service—have added fifteen auxiliaries and seven mission-circles, while old ones have been infused with life, and made almost as good as new. In naming a new mission-circle, a little boy said, "Let's call it *Pine Needles*, because they hang on all the year round!"

Miss Wheeler, secretary for the Worcester County Branch, said, while they were very young, only two years old, they came with hearty greetings from forty-five auxiliaries, and felt that they had made a real gain in more earnest prayers, and a deeper consecration. Their field is divided into seven districts, with a secretary for each, and they boast of one auxiliary which includes every lady in the church.

Miss Edwards, of Mount Holyoke Seminary, reporting for the Hampshire County Branch, said their meetings were well-attended, though in the hill-towns there were peculiar difficulties attending them. During the year, three young ladies from Mt. Holyoke have entered the foreign work, while five others have gone to engage in independent educational work in South Africa.

Mrs. Rice, secretary of the Norfolk Conference Branch, said they were but recently organized; their quarterly meetings were of deep interest, and they hoped another year would tell of increased efficiency.

Mrs. McKay, secretary of the Woburn Conference Branch, reported that they were organized at Malden in May. Twenty-one churches were connected with them, seven of whom had no auxiliary.

Mrs. Davis, secretary of the Berkshire County Branch, said as they were the youngest of the branches, they had but little to report; but already they felt the influence of the organization in increased efficiency for work.

Mrs. McDougal, of Canada, gave brief greetings from the Canada Board, saying though the old tie between them and the mother was severed, their love for her would be undying.

BUREAU OF EXCHANGE.

A very able paper was read by Mrs. Barnes, secretary of the Bureau of Exchange, giving a graphic description of one day's work, with its varied calls and supplies, showing plainly that the Bureau is the right thing in the right place.

After singing, reports were heard from the

CONFERENCE ASSOCIATIONS.

Miss Nickerson, delegate from the Barnstable Conference Association, reported one new auxiliary, while others were holding their own.

Mrs. Horton, president of the South Middlesex Conference Association, said the aim toward which they were working was to have an auxiliary in every church, including every female member of it. A young lady had lately been sent to China by one of their churches, and this answered the question. "What shall we do to make our meetings interesting?" Send a daughter or sister, and you will never have another dull meeting.

Mrs. Cowles, president of the North Essex Conference Association, said they had increased on the whole in membership and interest, the contributions for the year having been \$1200. A pleasant sketch was given of a mission-circle of little women, showing what may be done if the heart is in the work.

Mrs. Allen, secretary of the Pilgrim Conference Association, reported one new auxiliary added during the year, with six churches remaining where there are none.

Miss Child read a report from the Mendon Conference Association, giving encouraging views of their work.

Mrs. Pierson, secretary of the Suffolk West Conference Association, reported seven auxiliaries and twelve mission-circles. \$3000 had been contributed during the year.

The meeting closed with singing, "Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing."

WEDNESDAY.

The "sweet hour of prayer" held in the vestry, and conducted by Mrs. Burdett Hart, was, as usual, a precious prelude to the other meetings of the day, which were resumed in the church at half-past seven. A. M.

After singing, by a trio of young ladies from Dorchester, and reading of Scripture, by Mrs. Bowker, prayer was offered by Miss Downing, missionary to China, under the Presbyterian Board.

Mrs. LeRoy, president of the Woman's Union Missionary Society, presented greetings from that Board, and gave some account of their own methods of labor. Letters of greeting were also read from the Baptist Board, and from that of the Interior, expressing warm sympathy and fellowship. A letter containing warm greetings from the Pacific Board, unfortunately did not arrive till the day following the meeting: but a postal-card was received at noon on Wednesday, conveying friendly sympathy from Christian women on the Western Coast.

After singing, a review of the work for the past ten years, was read by Mrs. S. B. Pratt. Miss Borden, of Fall River, then led in a prayer of thanksgiving for the way in which the Society had been guided during its history. Miss Downing, of North China, in a short address, said she had often heard Chinese women praying for their Christian sisters in America, and returning thanks that they had sent them the Gospel.

Mrs. Gordon, of Japan, gave an interesting picture of the Ladies' Homes in Kobe, Osaka, and Kioto. That at Kobe was made especially vivid, with its beautiful situation at the base of the mountains; its charming view of Japanese farms; the waters of the inland sea, a mile away, flashing in the sunshine; the men-of-war in the harbor, and nearer, hundreds of little fishing-boats. These homes are simply Christian homes—not very unlike our own, but so different from the Japanese, where are no firesides, no books, no pictures, no sweet music, no Bible. They are Christian *homes* among thousands of un-Christian houses.

Mrs. Gordon closed by giving a prayer offered by an old lady over eighty years old, at one of their prayer-meetings: "O Lord, I have prayed to idols; I have slapped my hands together; I have prayed to the sun, moon and stars; but now I trust in the heaven-descended, cross-crucified Jesus."

AFTERNOON.

After a voluntary by the young ladies, and prayer by Mrs. Hart, of Connecticut, Mrs. Bond, from Eski Zagra, gave a life-like account of their recent flight from that place. So completely did she carry the sympathy of the audience with her, that for the time they were not sitting in peaceful Mt. Vernon Church, but hiding from bursting shells in the crowded cellar; warding off the threatened blow; escaping hastily with the scanty store of provisions; seeing the city in flames; looking on the dead and dying; sleeping on the ground; and finally, receiving with deep thanksgiving the welcome to friends and safety.

An unexpected but pleasant interruption to the exercises here took place: A band of "Pilgrim Gleaners" from North Weymouth, supposing the usual children's meeting was to be held, came up the aisle bearing a handsome new banner. They were received with kind words of welcome, and with a yet more substantial token, as, through the generosity of a few lovers of children, each one of the ten were made life-members of the Woman's Board.

Mrs. Mead, of Darien, next gave a very able paper on Mission Circles, full of suggestions of great value to all engaged in this work.

Mrs. Schneider, of the Central Turkey Mission, gave an account of mission-circles at Aintab, showing how the principle of self-denial for Christ goes on in ever-widening circles, till it embraces all mankind.

Mrs. Farnsworth, of Cesarea, said she could go back to her work very strong after hearing the reports of the two days; but the four beautiful daughters by whom she stood surrounded on the platform, and whom she must leave behind, showed plainly how strong must be the constraining love of Christ, which could take the mother even from these. The daughters, three of whom were dressed in Turkish costume, won all hearts by their sweet singing together some of the songs of that land.

The last speaker was Mrs. Hartwell, of China, who described her tours for Gospel work, and showed some articles from that land.

When she went to the villages, men and women crowded around the foreign lady, even looking into the windows of the houses from curiosity. Many thus heard the Gospel, and it was hoped the seed would spring up and bear fruit. While formerly the people were inclined to laugh at the foreign ways, they now listened respectfully, and offered no objection to what was taught. Among the obstacles to Christianity are the many superstitions of the country, and the many feasts which are a burden to the people, men being sometimes obliged to sell their wives and sons to obtain money for the expensive festivals. The women had heard of the interest felt for them by Christian women in this country, and it was thought that in time they would be overcome by love, and turn to Christ.

After remarking that the sweetest meetings of earth must break up, and that the disciples must always come down from the Mount, where they have been with Christ, to work for him, Mrs. Bowker led in the concluding prayer.

A vote of thanks having been passed to the proprietors of Mt. Vernon Church, the ladies who assisted in singing, and to those who so efficiently served at the collation, the audience united in singing the Doxology; and the Tenth Anniversary, which was more fully attended than any previous year, was dissolved.



A LESSON FROM CHINA.—It is said that each family in China spends annually, for the worship of its ancestors, an average of at least one hundred and fifty dollars. How many families of professing Christians in this country spend half that amount annually, for the spread of the gospel of our Lord Jesus?

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS FROM DEC. 18, TO DEC. 31, 1877.

MRS. BENJAMIN E. BATES, TREASURER.

MAINE.

Maine Branch.—Mrs. Woodbury S. Dana, Treas., Milltown Aux., \$29; Washington Co. Conf., collection, \$6.26, \$35 26
 Total, \$35 26

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

New Hampshire Branch.—Miss Ably E. McIntire, Treas., Bath, Aux., \$23; Bristol, Aux., \$1.50; Mrs. A. M. Cavis, to const. L. M. Mrs. C. F. Abbott, \$25; Campton, Aux., \$29.92; Charlestown, Aux., and "Penny Pickers," \$4.50; Claremont, Aux., of wh. \$25 to const. L. M. Mrs. Thomas J. Harris, \$35; Dover, Aux., \$53; Exeter, 1st Ch. S. S., \$25; Miss J. E. S. Leeds, New York, \$5; East Derry, Aux., \$45.50; Francestown, Aux., to const. L. M. Miss Sarah E. Kingsbury, \$25; Goffstown, "Mountain Moss Circle," of wh. \$25 const. L. M. Mrs. Clarisa J. K. Blaisdell, \$40; "Hillside Laborers," \$11; Hollis, Aux., const. L. M.'s Mrs. Sally R. Jewett, Mrs. S. M. Spaulding, \$50; Keene, 1st Ch. Aux., \$65; "Mission Circle," \$40; 2d Ch. Young Ladies' Sewing Circle, \$10; Young People's For. Land Asso., \$30; Meriden, Aux., \$10; Mt. Vernon, Aux., \$23; "Buds of Promise," \$11.52; New Ipswich, Aux., prev. contri. const. L. M. Miss Mary E. Taylor, \$20.50; No. Chichester, Aux., \$3.75; Portsmouth, "Mizpah Circle," \$10; Miss Cutler, \$3; Piermont, Aux., and "Mission Circle," \$31; Plymouth, "Missy Helpers," \$15.71; Salmon Falls, Aux., \$4.25; Expenses, \$30; balance, \$621 15
 Total, \$621 15

LEGACY.

Legacy of Dea. Irenus Hamilton, Concord, \$500 00

VERMONT.

Vermont Branch.—Mrs. Geo. H. Fox, Treas., Manchester, Aux., \$29; "Mission Circle," \$16.86; Fair Haven, \$0.40; Waterbury, Aux., \$7; Westminster, Aux., \$11; West Westminster, Aux., \$4; West Rutland, a few ladies, \$8; West Brattleboro, Aux., \$20; "Happy Workers," \$5; Westbury, Aux., const. L. M.'s Mrs. William Clark, Mrs. S. L. Bates, \$50; Barnet, Aux., \$3.50; Barton, "Willing Workers," \$3; Danville, Aux., \$10; Bridport, Aux., \$53.50; Fairlee, Aux., \$6.80; Hartford, Infant Cl., \$5; Expenses, \$10; balance, \$223 06
Manchester.—A friend, 3 00
 Total, \$226 06

MASSACHUSETTS.

Berkshire Co. Branch.—Mrs. S. N. Russell, Treas., Pittsfield, Aux., \$16.90; North Adams, \$17.17, \$34 07
Beverly.—Dane St. Ch. Aux., 90 00
Boston.—A friend, \$10; a friend for Turkey, \$5; a friend, \$1.40; a little girl on her seventh birthday, \$7; Mt. Vernon Ch., \$113.31; Central Ch., \$437; "Shawmut Helpers," \$300; "Shawmut Branch," \$200; Trinity Church, E.F.C., \$20, 1093 71
Boston, South.—Phillips Ch., "Cheerful Workers," 20 00
Boston Highlands.—Eliot Ch., Aux., 11 00
Cambridge.—Union, Aux., Shepard Ch., \$88; North Ave. Ch., of wh. \$25, by Mrs. J. M. Tyler, const. herself L.M., \$109.22; "Little Rose Buds," \$5, 202 22
Cambridgeport.—Mrs. C. L. Cristy, 1 00
Chelsea.—Miss Gracie B. Allen, 5 01

<i>Dedham.</i> —"Chapel Rays," Aintab,	\$45 00
<i>Franklin Co. Branch.</i> —Miss L. A. Sparhawk, Treas.,	5 00
<i>Hampshire Co. Branch.</i> —Miss Isabella G. Clarke, Treas., a friend, \$500; Easthampton Aux., \$70,	570 00
<i>Haverhill.</i> —"Pentucket Mission Circle,"	70 00
<i>Holliston.</i> —Aux.,	10 00
<i>Lawrence.</i> —Mrs. B. Coolidge,	3 80
<i>Maplewood.</i> —Cong. Ch.,	11 10
<i>Middlefield.</i> —"Mission Circle," Cong. Ch.,	11 76
<i>Norton.</i> —Wheaton Fem. Sem.,	25 00
<i>Waltham.</i> —Mrs. L. S. Mitchell,	1 00
<i>Warehuit.</i> —Aux.,	5 25
<i>Wareham.</i> —Aux.,	10 00
<i>Westfield.</i> —A friend,	1 80
<i>Woburn Conf. Branch.</i> —Reading, Aux.,	14 00
<i>Wollaston Heights.</i> —"Little Sunbeams,"	6 12
<i>Worcester Co. Branch.</i> —Mrs. G. W. Russell, Treas., Royalston, Aux., const. L. M. Mrs. Mary E. Bullock, Miss Emma L. Pierce, \$50; "Mission Band," \$20; Clinton, Aux., \$19.83; Athol, Aux., \$30; Warren, Aux., of wh. \$25, to const. L. M. Mrs. Samuel Austin, Chicopee Falls, \$29,	150 83
Total,	\$2397 67

CONNECTICUT.

<i>Darien.</i> —Aux., \$60; "Busy Bees," \$13.50,	\$73 50
<i>Eastern Conn. Branch.</i> —Mrs. J. C. Learned, Treas., Hanover, Aux., of wh. \$5 from Mrs. D. A. Allen, \$6; Griswold "Paehany Aeorns," of wh. \$30, pupil Battalagundu, \$47; Old Lyme, Aux., \$30; Preston, Aux., \$2,	85 00
<i>Hartford Branch.</i> —Mrs. Chas. A. Jewell, Treas., Rockville, Aux., \$10; Hebron, Aux., const. L. M. Mrs. J. H. Jaggar, \$25; Berlin, Aux., of wh. \$50 const. L. M.'s Mrs. Jennie S. Miller, Miss Abby Hubbard, \$83; South Windsor, Aux., \$80,	198 00
<i>New Haven Branch.</i> —Miss Julia Twining, Treas., Waterbury, 2d Ch., Young Ladies' Mission Circle seh'ship C. Home, \$125; 2d Ch., of wh. \$25 by Miss Ruth W. Carter, const. L. M. Miss Josephine Carter, \$125.90; 1st Ch., \$60; Winsted, Aux., \$50; Saybrook, Aux., \$7.95	368 85
Total,	\$725 35

NEW YORK.

<i>New York State Branch.</i> —Mrs. T. H. Knollin, Treas., Sandusky, Aux., \$18.10; Fairport, Aux., \$20; Pulaski, Aux., \$20; Crown Point, Mrs. Trimble's S. S. Cl., \$1.25; "Willing Hearts," \$3.95; a few friends, \$6.20; Flushing, Aux., pupil Ceylon, pupil Foochow, \$70; Lockport, "Cheerful Helpers," \$25; 1st. Cong. Ch., Aux., \$23.93; Millville, Aux., \$3; Walton, Aux., \$15.40; "Agavni Circle," \$60; Jamestown, Aux., \$25; Albany, 1st Cong. Ch. S. S., Japan, \$47.43; Expenses, \$6.78; balance,	\$332 57
<i>Rensselaer Falls.</i> —Aux.,	15 49
Total,	\$348 06

PENNSYLVANIA.

<i>Philadelphia Branch.</i> —Mrs. A. W. Goodell, Treas., Orange, Aux., \$16.85; "Mission Circle," \$10; Washington, Aux., \$24.10,	\$50 95
Total,	\$50 95

ILLINOIS.

<i>Beardstown.</i> —Cong. Ch.,	\$2 40
Total,	\$2 40

TENNESSEE.

<i>Chattanooga.</i> —Mrs. Temple Cutler,	\$5 00
Total,	\$5 00

WISCONSIN.

<i>River Falls.</i> —A friend,	\$1 40
Total,	\$1 40

FAMINE IN INDIA.

Received and transmitted,	\$25 58
General Funds,	\$4,413 30
Life and Light,	1,009 03
Weekly Pledge,	2 02
Leaflets,	1 35
Legacy,	500 00
Famine in India,	25 58
Total,	\$5,951 28

RECEIPTS FROM JAN. 1st TO JAN. 18th, 1878.

MAINE.

<i>Maine Branch.</i> —Mrs. Woodbury S. Dana, Treas., Portland, 2d Parish, "Happy Workers," \$11.88; Harpswell Centre, "Little Helpers," \$3.18; Farmington, Aux., \$9.60; Waterford, Aux., prev. contri. to const. L. M. Mrs. Charlotte Dorr, \$5; Gorham, Aux., to const. L. M.'s Mrs. H. S. Huntington, Mrs. Jas. Irish, \$50; Madison, Aux., \$5,		\$84.66
<i>Alna.</i> —A friend,		40
<i>West Falmouth.</i> —A friend,		51
Total,		\$85 57

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

<i>New Hampshire Branch.</i> —Miss Abby E. McIntire, Treas., Amherst, Aux., \$28; "Carrier Doves," \$5; two little boys, \$0.30; Durham, Aux., \$17.85; Exeter, Aux., \$21.18; Lebanon, Aux., \$35; Nashua, Aux., \$101.17; "Penny Gatherers," \$50; New Ipswich, Mary Seymour, \$1.60; Oxford, Aux., \$13.50; Hampton, Aux., \$15; Mason, \$7.27; Plymouth, Aux., \$15; Portsmouth, Aux., \$13.75; friends, \$5; Newcastle, a few friends, \$4.25; Tamworth, Mrs. A. M. Davis, \$1; Milton, Aux., \$1.50; "Mission Band," \$2; Hollis, "Busy Bees," to const. L. M. Miss Lucy E. Worcester, \$25.60; Hopkinton, "Cheerful Workers," \$47; Antrim, Ladies' Presb. Ch., \$10,		\$420 97
Total,		\$420 97

MASSACHUSETTS.

<i>Andover.</i> —Aux., \$13.60; So. Ch. S. S. Cl. of girls, \$7,		\$20 60
<i>Boston.</i> —Mrs. C. C. Coffin, \$1.40; Mrs. J. Bancroft, \$20; Mrs. Freeman Allen, \$200; a friend of Missions, \$3; Mrs. Henry Smith, \$5; Innates of Refuge, \$10; "Olivet Merry Workers," \$20; "Shawmut Br. Mission Circle," \$40; Old So. Ch., "Bartlett Band," \$9; Park St. Ch., \$5; Berkeley St. Ch., \$5.50; Olivet Ch., \$6.50; Union Ch. \$1.50; Shawmut Ch., \$1.50; Highlands,		\$328 90

<i>Boston Highlands.</i> —Walnut Ave. Ch., Aux.,		\$39 00
<i>Braintree.</i> —Young Ladies' Miss'y Society,		15 80
<i>Brookline.</i> —E. P.,		1 00
<i>Charlestown.</i> —Mrs. Robie,		1 00
<i>Charlton.</i> —A few ladies,		11 00
<i>Chelsea.</i> —Mrs. R. H. Allen,		1 00
<i>Dalton.</i> —S. S. penny contributions,		5 00
<i>Danvers.</i> —Maple St. Ch., Aux.,		85 25
<i>Dedham.</i> —Aux.,		100 00
<i>East Falmouth.</i> —Aux., \$7.08;		
Helping Hands, \$1.35,		8 43
<i>Framingham.</i> —Plymouth Ch., Aux.,		50 35
<i>Georgetown.</i> —Mrs. E. H. Titus,		1 40
<i>Groton.</i> —Mrs. D. Adams,		1 00
<i>Halifax.</i> —Aux.,		12 00
<i>Hampshire Co. Branch.</i> —Miss Isabella G. Clarke, Treas., North Amherst, Aux., to const. L. M.'s Mrs. Elizabeth C. Marsh, Miss Ellen Hobart, \$50; Amherst, Aux., \$94; Plainfield, Aux., \$19; a lover of the cause, \$5; Easthampton, Aux., \$15; Chesterfield, Aux., \$15,		198 00
<i>Honover.</i> —Aux.,		11 00
<i>Holbrook.</i> —A friend,		5 00
<i>Hyde Park.</i> —Little Harold's bank,		56
<i>Jamaica Plain.</i> —Aux.,		106 59
<i>Kingston.</i> —Aux.,		8 00
<i>Lynn.</i> —A friend, to const. L. M. Mrs. William T. Hill, \$25; North Ch., \$20; First Ch., Aux., of wh. \$25, to const. L. M. Mrs. James Flint, \$50,		95 00
<i>Manomet.</i> —2d Ch., Aux.,		10 00
<i>Medfield.</i> —Mrs. S. B. C.,		5 00
<i>Merrimac.</i> —Aux.,		90 00
<i>Methuen.</i> —Aux.,		15 00
<i>Natick.</i> —Aux., \$32.75; Young Ladies' Aux., \$23.54; "Busy Bees," \$5.27,		61 56
<i>Newton.</i> —Eliot Ch., Aux.,		23 65
<i>Pepperell.</i> —Aux.,		12 00
<i>Richmond.</i> —"In Memoriam," Mrs. H. C. Brown,		10 00
<i>Salisbury.</i> —Mrs. Dolly Colby,		1 00
<i>Sandwich.</i> —Aux., to const. L. M. Mrs. C. C. P. Watterman,		25 00
<i>Saugus.</i> —Mrs. F. V. Tenney's Cl.,		3 50
<i>So. Framingham.</i> —Aux., of wh. \$25, to const. L. M. Miss Louisa C. Eames,		45 00
<i>Springfield Branch.</i> —Miss H. T. Buckingham, Treas., Sp. 1st Ch.,		13 18
<i>Sudbury.</i> —"May Flower Mission Circle,"		40 00
<i>Taunton.</i> —Aux.,		100 00
<i>Walpole.</i> —Aux., to const. L. M.'s Miss Anna B. Plimpton, Mrs. Edward C. Craig,		50 00

<i>Waltham.</i> —Aux.,	\$19 20
<i>Ware.</i> —Aux., of wh. \$50, by Mrs. William Hyde, and Sarah R. Sage, to const. L. M. Miss M. R. Sutton, Mrs. John Q. Hill,	116 02
<i>Wellesley.</i> —Mrs. L. W. Dana,	10 00
<i>West Roxbury.</i> —Aux.,	24 00
<i>Woburn Conf. Branch.</i> —Lexington, Aux., of wh. \$25, by Mrs. C. C. Goodwin, to const. L. M. Miss Alice P. Goodwin,	31 40
<i>Yarmouth.</i> —Aux.,	7 00
Total,	\$1,818 39

RHODE ISLAND.

<i>Rhode Island Branch.</i> —Miss Anna S. White, Treas., Pawtucket, Mrs. Dr. Blodgett, to const. L. M. Miss Emily Aplin,	25 00
Total,	\$25 00

CONNECTICUT.

<i>Cromwell.</i> —Aux., with prev. contri. to const. L. M's Miss Mary Sage, Mrs. Ralph B. Sprague, Mrs. Harriette W. Wheeler	\$58 80
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<i>Eastern Conn. Branch.</i> —Mrs. J. C. Learned, Treas., Norwich, 2d Ch., \$25.25; "Mignonette Seed," \$4; Norwich Town Lathrop Memorial Soc'y, \$59.67; "Ant Hill Mission Circle," \$5; New London, 1st Ch., \$69.33; Stonington, 2d Ch., \$8.02	171 27
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<i>New Haven Branch.</i> —Miss Julia Twining, Treas., Chester, to const. Mrs. Lysander T. Spaulding a L. M., \$25; Cornwall, (\$40 for Marsovan sch'ship; \$10 fr. "Hillside Workers"), \$50; East Hampton Union Church, to complete L. M'ship of Miss M. A. West, \$10; Fair Haven, Second Ch., \$17.80; Middletown, \$24; New Britain, \$106; New Haven, Center Ch., \$7; East Ch., \$17; Fair Haven, First Ch., (\$25 fr. Mrs. Sarah Morris, to const. Mrs. Edmund Goodrich, L. M.), \$128.50; North Ch., \$91.30; Norwalk (\$170; \$45 from Sunbeam Circle, for Dakota sch'ships), \$215; South Canaan, \$6; Stamford (\$50 for B. R., at Bitlis), \$60; Thomaston "News Bearers," \$21.39; Torrington, earned by children, for famine sufferers in India, \$10; Washington, \$41; Westville (\$40 for Marsovan sch-
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ship), \$60; Westville Y. L. M. C., for two Ahmednuggar sch'ships, \$40,	\$929 99
<i>Wethersfield.</i> —Miss Frances Wright,	1 00
Total,	\$1,161 06

NEW YORK.

<i>New York State Branch.</i> —Mrs. T. H. Knollin, Treas., Sherburne, Aux.,	\$50 00
<i>Alden.</i> —E. F. Wickes,	2 40
<i>Brockport.</i> —Aux., pupil Harpoot,	40 00
<i>New York City.</i> —Olivet Mission, S. S. primary Cl.,	15 00
<i>Penn Yan.</i> —Mrs. C. C. Sheppard,	50 00
<i>Watertown.</i> —Mrs. S. H. Morgan,	1 00
Total,	\$158 40

VIRGINIA.

<i>Poplar Mt.</i> —Etta, Emma, Eva Bingham,	\$ 75
Total,	\$ 75

OHIO.

<i>Windham.</i> —Young Ladies' Mission Band,	\$34 50
Total,	\$34 50

MINNESOTA.

<i>Chatfield.</i> —Presb. S. S.,	\$22 00
Total,	\$22 00

CALIFORNIA.

<i>Havilah.</i> —A friend,	\$20 00
Total,	\$20 00

CANADA.

<i>Montreal.</i> —Mrs. McDougal,	\$1 00
Total,	\$1 00

General Funds,	\$3,747 64
"Life and Light,"	1,045 00
Weekly Pledge,	12 23
Leaflets,	4 60
Interest on Baldwin Fund,	450 00
Total,	\$5,259 47

MISS EMMA CARRUTH, Ass't Treas.

Department of the Interior.

WORK AMONG WOMEN IN CEYLON, 1877.

By permission, we give to our readers the following encouraging and suggestive statements in regard to the work of our missionaries and native Bible-readers, in behalf of the women of Ceylon, from the Annual Report of the Mission:—

“It is evident that this most desirable of all Christian efforts among us has lost none of its interest. It does not appear that the women of Jaffna are any more ready to listen to the Gospel out of love for it, but that continual and repeated efforts to reach them are meeting their appropriate reward. The Gospel thus taken to the people and pressed upon their attention, is beginning to bear fruit in a better attendance at the girls’ schools, in an incredible desire among the older girls and married women to learn to read, in the sending to boarding-schools of girls from the artisan castes homes, in increased attendance upon woman’s prayer-meetings, and, as we believe, in stirring up Christian women to do more for the conversion of their heathen neighbors.”

Miss Hillis, at Panditeripo, and Miss Howland, at Tillipally, having given their entire time to this work, find many things to encourage them. Miss Hillis writes: “The plan adopted last year, by the Christian women, of assisting the Bible-women by gathering the heathen women into their houses for meetings, has been continued through this year, and bids fair to become a permanent practice. Besides the Bible-women and two or three Christian women, there are usually from five to twelve heathen, or Romanists, present. So far as can be judged from the reports of these meetings, they have been interesting and profitable.

The lessons assigned to the Christian women of the stations, Panditeripo and Tillipally, are studied here with much interest. All are expected to prepare the lessons, and, if not able to attend the weekly meeting, to be ready to recite them when called upon at home. During the last three months several women have taught classes in the Sabbath-school, and others have held meetings with

the school girls, and this not in response to any request that they would do so. The number of girls in each school is at least three times as large as last year. A year's careful work would develop a strong desire to study, as has been shown at Tillipally. At the village of Virlan, one of the Bible-women has been much encouraged by the readiness of the people to hear the Bible; they are Romanists. In response to earnest invitations, several visits have been made to another village, and there two women are learning to read, and a large number of the girls are in the schools, and are doing well. To some urgent calls from the Romanists it has been impossible to respond, and when something has been attempted, it has not always been possible to give the persistent, individual instruction, without which there is little reason to expect results. Only through reading the Bible themselves, can they get the truth often, and in its purity, unless the number of Bible-women is very greatly increased, and their preparation for the work is very different."

Miss Howland, at Tillipally, writes: "The work among the heathen women at Tillipally increases in interest. The forty or fifty houses which I try to visit regularly keep my time fully occupied, and there are many other houses where they would gladly receive me, or a Bible-reader, if we had one to give them. There are now fifteen women and girls who are reading the Bible, or portions of it, for the first time. With three exceptions, these all learned their alphabet within two years, and we feel more than repaid for the time spent in teaching them. The three young women who have been before reported as interested, do not lose their interest, but have not yet courage to take a stand as Christians. They ask that the pastor and his wife come occasionally to hold meetings, that their friends may know more about this religion. One of the pleasantest parts of the work to me is the sewing-class for poor women, on Saturday afternoons; the average attendance for several months has been from thirty to forty. I was much interested in finding that a little child of one of these mothers could sing a lyric which her mother learns to sing on Saturdays, and also to hear that she teaches her little ones each night to repeat the Lord's prayer, which she had learned here with the other women. One of the Christian women gave her time every Saturday afternoon for several months, until she was taken sick, in helping to teach them to sing and to give them Bible instruction."

Mrs. W. W. Howland says: "I have met the Christian women near the station twice a week. Sabbath afternoon the S. S. lesson for the coming Sabbath is prepared. Tuesday afternoon there is a Bible lesson. Wednesday afternoon the girls of the station-school

come in for a meeting instead of having the usual sewing; the attendance is voluntary, but usually thirty or forty come, in two divisions, and give good attention. Sabbath morning some time is given to singing with the school-girls, who gather on the veranda; afterwards, the best readers are put into a class and study the S. S. lesson-paper. We hope, through these girls, to reach *some* homes; still the question comes up with painful interest, How are we to get at the more than *four thousand* homes not yet reached by the Bible-woman or the missionary lady?"

INDIA.

LETTER FROM MRS. HORSLEY.

THE marriage of Miss Mary E. Rendall, of the Madura Mission, to Rev. Hugh Horsley, of the Church Missionary Society, last September, while it removes her from her former field of labor, and sunders the ties which connected her with our Board, does not diminish her interest or active participation in missionary service, as is indicated by the following extracts from a recent letter addressed to the Auxiliary in Union Park Church, Chicago, which has heretofore supported her:—

“My present home is forty-five miles from Madura, and the work is very much the same. There are two boarding-schools here, one for boys, and one for girls, with forty pupils in each; so we have about eighty children around us. In addition to his station-work, my husband frequently visits the neighboring villages, and I hope often to accompany him.

“The chief thing that has met us everywhere in the work for the past year and a half, has been the constant distress from famine. One cannot help but be weighed down, and have a sense of weariness, from seeing so much suffering, while we have been utterly unable to render the poor distressed ones the assistance we have longed to give them. I could tell most sorrowful tales of many who have suffered from fearful want, and at last have died from mere starvation. Our eyes have become accustomed to the sight of skeleton babies and children. Government has done very much to alleviate the suffering, but there are hundreds and thousands whom it does not touch. You will be glad to hear that now we are being blessed with refreshing showers of rain, which, if the Lord will graciously continue, will bring us good harvests, and we may hope in time this dreadful famine will be removed; but it will be long

before all traces of the scourge are obliterated. Great numbers have left this part of the country for other places, in search of work, and still greater numbers have died, so that labor in the future will be very high.

“The boarding-school at Madura has continued much the same. I think I have noticed among the girls that the desire to do a thing because it is right, is growing stronger and stronger. This is one of the great lessons I have tried to impress upon them,—the uselessness of *eye-service*. There have been more deaths from cholera, and other diseases, among the relatives of the girls, than ever before. For several weeks sorrow and weeping for lost friends were familiar events. In this way, I think, some were brought to see the need of preparation for death as they never had done before, and a few have come out on the Lord’s side.

“The most interesting part of the work has been in a village called Solavandum, twelve miles from Madura, on the railway. I think I have written you about this place before. The Catechist’s wife there is a very earnest, godly Christian, and is, indeed, as “a light set upon a hill.” She has had a school of twelve little high-caste heathen girls under her care for about two years, and we think that through its influence one little girl named Chinna-tharyee (little mother) has been converted. She gives every evidence of being a Christian child. There are in that village at present, eleven heathen women learning to read, and it is really quite wonderful to see the hold that Parkiam, the catechist’s wife, has upon them, and also upon many others. The last time I was there I visited each house where there were women studying, and heard their lessons. Chinna-tharyee’s oldest sister, who is married in that village, is now very much impressed with the truth; she is learning to read, as are also two other women in the same house. I have learned that Chinna-tharyee, who, up to this time, has lived with her married sister, will in a few months come back to her father, whose house is in a village about three miles from us. I am very glad, and shall go to see her as often as possible when she comes, hoping that through her I can get a hold upon some others in that place. Another woman in Solavandum, Angammarl by name, has finished the first book, and has been studying the Gospel of John for some time. She comes to church regularly, and I feel sure she is not far from the kingdom, if, indeed, she is not already a Christian. The work in that village is most encouraging; I have been accustomed to go there once a month, but was too busy in August and during the part of September which I spent in Madura, to go there as usual; so I promised the women that when I came in October to meet my sister I would bring her and introduce her to them,

and in this way I pacified them. I hope you will pray especially for the women in this village, that the Lord will carry on his work there, and that many precious souls may be saved.

In another village three miles from Madura, is also a little movement among an entirely different class of women, the lowest of the low, and the poorest of the poor. The wife of the catechist there is a very faithful worker; she has taught twelve poor women, the most of them very old, how to say the Lord's prayer. The last time I visited the village, while seated one day on the little low veranda of the catechist's house, I was very much pleased, and also amused, as these poor learners gathered around me, and with glad faces twisted and turned their mouths and tongues to say those beautiful words that the Lord has taught us. They seemed delighted at their success, and I urged them to keep on in the good work they had begun. They are now learning the life of Christ. Their minds are so vacant, darkened, and hardened, that one has to go even below a child's mind in order to reach them and fasten a single idea; and as to their memories, they haven't any; but if they really become interested, and learn anything, it is a grand victory."

JAPAN.

LETTER FROM REV. P. U. SAWAYAMA.

THE following extracts from a private letter from Mr. Sawayama, pastor of a church in Osaka, Japan, will be read with interest:—

OSAKA, Oct. 8, 1877.

I baptized two men at the First Church in the city yesterday. One who received baptism lately in my church was a doctor, who is about sixty years old; he was a Buddhist. When we examined him it was most satisfactory in every matter; and then we asked him if he will give up anything which does not honor Christ and does not make useful in man, even though the thing may not be bad or wicked, and he said he would. Then we asked him to give up his smoking, which is not for any honor for Christ, though we cannot say that those who smoke are not true Christians; he said that he was willing to give it up. A few days after he sent word that we should wait his baptism till next time, on account of that he cannot yet give up his smoking. Then I went to see him, and I noticed that he was reading the Bible, and praying and fasting. He

told that he had been smoking day and night during these forty years, therefore it is very hard for him to give it up; but he said that he is willing to give up even his life for Christ's sake, if it need be. And why cannot smoking be given up? Because he thinks his faith is not yet strong, so he will pray God to give strong faith to overcome this thing; and that time we knelt and prayed together, and a few days after that he was succeeded to give it up entirely. This doctor led an old couple who were also strong Buddhists. Since they gave up to associate with their former friends, former friends with priest come to their house many times to try to lead them back to the former faith; but they told them that this is the true way, so they better come and hear about the way. They brought the priest to our church, and they are now trying to lead Buddhists to hear the Gospel of Christ.

When I went home this summer, I found one young man who became very much interested in Christianity. He came to study Bible every day while I was there, and when I came back to Osaka, he also came with me as far as Kobe. In that place he has a cousin, who is a high officer. This young man now decided to become a minister, but his cousin wanted him to become officer. But if he should become officer, he cannot sometime keep Sabbath; so he told his cousin that he like rather to be a slave to keep God's most holy law, than to become officer to break it; so he cannot anyway obey his cousin's advice. Then his cousin said to him that he cannot keep him in his house, so he better go anywhere he like. But this young man has not any money now, so he did not know what he should do, and I wrote him to come to my place; and so he came last Saturday. Now he wishes to be baptized as soon as it is right time. He told me yesterday, that his faith is increasing every day.

OCTOBER 30.

The interest in my little church is very great. Every one of my church-members is trying to work for our dear Saviour with the uttermost strength, and is willing to sacrifice all; and I think they can almost say boldly with Paul: "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Eight persons—two women and six men—hope to be baptized by the next communion. We had a very pleasant visit from Mr. Burnell, the evangelist. He has been preaching in Kioto for the past ten days, and a few days ago he came to this city, and preached in our chapel, and I interpreted it. The next day he spent in going around to see the government institutions. I went round with him, and acted as translator. He knows many of my Evans-ton and Chicago friends, and so I enjoyed more with him a talk on many things.

CHINA.

THE CHINESE NEW YEAR.

BY MISS J. G. EVANS.

THE Chinese New Year occurs early in February, and at that time all try to look clean and bright, if they can. It is the grand holiday of the whole year. Shops are closed, and everyone is visiting, feasting, or sight-seeing. We enjoy seeing so many clean people, even if we know that the cleanliness is only on the outside.

This is also the occasion for many heathen ceremonies. Last night was the time for burning the old "kitchen god," having first stuck his mouth together with molasses candy, so that he cannot repeat to the higher god any of the wrong deeds which may have been committed during the year. From the time he is burned until the New Year, they have no god, and can do what they please. They laugh at each other for believing such things, yet are so bound to their superstitions, that it is hard to break away from them. One of our servants went home a few days ago and burned his household gods. Another has just gone home, and we are anxious to know whether he will do the same. He says he believes in Jesus. I think this will prove whether he does or not.



ITEMS.

AINTAB.—Miss Shattuck's health requiring a change of scene and opportunity for rest "outside the line of Turkish-speaking people," she passed the months of September and October among the mountains of Lebanon, entertained most cordially by members of the Syrian Mission. Nine days were spent "in a little trip, seeing the cedars, beautiful fountains, and pretty villages, without having any care, or work among the people," and a fortnight in the village of Abeih, the old home of Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun, where they labored some twenty-five years. After her return to Aintab, she writes: "About the time of my leaving Beirut, I began to feel new vigor, and have been gaining ever since."

Referring to her work of the previous winter at Oorfa, she adds: "I propose going soon to Oorfa, if I can have an American companion, hoping so to wind up the machinery there, as to give us reasonable hope of its running well through the winter; and then I am ready for work wherever I am most needed."

MISS MYRA CALHOUN, who joined the Mission at Fort Berthold, D. T., in October, has recently been added to the list of missionaries of the W. B. M. I.

Home Department.

MISS EMMARETTE WHIPPLE.

A TRIBUTE BY MARY C. COLLINS.

"His servants shall serve Him; and they shall see His face." Rev. 22: 3, 4.

IN the autumn of 1873, I first met Miss Whipple, when her quick step, bright eyes and beautiful face, all seemed to indicate perfect health. She attended church regularly, and was seldom absent from evening meetings or ladies' prayer-meeting. When detained from Sabbath-school, she always secured a teacher to take her place. Her class of boys appreciated her interest in them, and the work she began is still going on. She wrote letters to them after she left, and never forgot to pray for them. Soon after going to Keokuk she entered a Sabbath-school there which had almost ceased to exist; she was teacher and superintendent, and of her class of young ladies several became Christians. During this time she attended a revival meeting, and worked so effectively, that through her influence a number became Christians, among them eight or ten young men. She was a teacher in the Institute, which involved study, and besides attending these evening meetings, visited from house to house, calling for servant-girls and taking them to church; some of these girls were also brought to Christ. Seeing her zeal, I said to her, "I want you to go with me as a foreign missionary." "Where?" "Wherever the Lord directs." "Yes, I will go," she responded. After being appointed by the A. B. C. F. M., she went home to Wisconsin to spend the summer and to "rest;" how she "rested," you will understand when you hear of her summer's work. She organized a Sabbath-school where there was none, was superintendent and teacher, and met the people one evening each week, to teach them to sing the Sabbath-school hymns. She visited the homes, walking long distances to urge attendance; and made dresses and trimmed hats for those who otherwise could not come. She wrote many letters to her friends, many business letters, a letter each week to her Sabbath-school classes in Keokuk, and prepared her wardrobe for a two year's stay in Dakota. She spent September with her friends in Keokuk, and secured a superintendent for the school she had left there, out of which has grown a school numbering about two hundred, and a Congregational Church. In October, 1874, we attended the annual meeting of the American Board in Chicago, and

were soon on our way to Dakota. From Yankton to our mission home it was necessary to travel overland, and Miss Whipple soon became so well acquainted with camp-work, as to be of great service, her willing heart and ready hands adding much to the pleasure of the trip.

Immediately on arriving at the Mission, she went to work, doing whatever her hands found to do; sawing, cutting, and nailing, she converted our packing-boxes into furniture for our room. As soon as she knew the Dakota alphabet, she began to teach the evening-school for men, and was so zealous that quite a number learned to read and write. She visited the villages, read to the women, taught in the sewing-school, and we now often see men with suits on which she taught their wives or sisters to make. I have often wondered at her great amount of physical strength. When we started East, in the spring of 1877, she said: "I feel that the Lord is leading me, for I have prayed a great deal about this matter, and there seems no reason why I should not go home. Perhaps He has a work for me to do there." And He had a work for her. She was to die the death of a Christian, after testifying for Jesus. In Des Moines, Keokuk, and Burlington, in Galesburg, Knoxville, and Amboy, at Glencoe and Chicago, she talked to the people of her work, and of her joy in it. She said: "I could not do this were it not for the work's sake, and that I feel the Lord wants me to do it. I may make a few friends for the Mission."

Well do I remember how she stood in the First Congregational Church of Chicago, telling the ladies how promising our field was, and how we needed a chapel. Her burning cheeks and feverish pulse told too plainly that she suffered even as she spoke. Our Father directed us to a hospitable Christian home, where she received every possible kindness from Mrs. Danolds and others. Oh, those days and nights of suffering! How sweetly she bore it all! She was patient and courteous, never failing to thank those who did anything for her. In all these days she felt that she was suffering the will of God. In answer to my question, "When will you get better?" she quickly replied, "Whenever the Lord wills. He will do all things right." She often prayed for her physician, and said once, "Tell Mr. — I am praying for him in my heart." Even in her delirium her active mind was at her favorite pursuit, working for others. The last day of her life on earth she said: "When shall we all be at home again?" she was so anxious to go back to the Mission.

Doubtless thinking of the beautiful figure of the marriage-supper of the Lamb, she said, "Tell Him to come — I am all ready; tell Him not to wait." Then, as I laid her back on her pillow, she looked earnestly into my eyes, and said, "Work for Missions!

Work for Missions! WORK FOR MISSIONS! Christ died for Missions. The boat has come—let me step in—I must go.” And she passed over to the other side. In my arms I found only the beautiful easket that had held the priceless gem.

The Indian women, on my return to Dakota, gave me a cordial greeting. They said, “We are rejoicing to see you; our hearts are glad because you have come; but our hearts are sad because the other one comes no more.” The women and children wailed in token of their sorrow. One Indian whom Miss Whipple taught to read and write, wrote me a note, saying, “We are glad to see you, and to shake hands with you; but we used to see two; now only one we see; therefore are our hearts sorrowful.” They loved her, as did all who knew her. Her life was a noble one, a beautiful one, and her death triumphant. “And to her it was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white; for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.”

THE NEBRASKA MEETING.

THE Ladies Missionary Association of Nebraska, met Oct. 27, 1877, in the Congregational Church in Crete. From reports given, we gather that there is an increased interest on the subject of Missions among our ladies. Mrs. Farwell read a paper on Womans' Work in the Church. Mrs. Dean gave us a very graphic description of Missionary work in India, and illustrated it with various Indian curiosities. Rev. Mr. Humphrey, of Chicago, then addressed the association, after which the following resolution was presented by Mrs. H. H. Gates, and adopted: “*Resolved*, that we earnestly recommend to the ladies of all our churches to organize societies, auxiliary to our State Society.” We have now ten auxiliary societies.

MRS. HENRY BATES, *Sec.*

RECEIPTS OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE INTERIOR.

FROM DEC. 15, 1877, TO JAN. 15, 1878.

MRS. FRANCIS BRADLEY, TREASURER.

OHIO BRANCH.			
Mrs. M. B. Monroe, Akron, Treas.		<i>East Toledo.</i> —Aux.,	\$3 00
<i>Brownhelm.</i> —Aux.,	\$30 00	<i>Painesville.</i> —Aux., for Miss	113 80
<i>Coolville.</i> —Aux., for work at		Parsons,	13 05
Ft. Berthold,	16 32	<i>Ravenna.</i> —Aux.,	
<i>Cuyahoga Falls.</i> —Aux., for		<i>Springfield.</i> —Aux., for Miss	9 00
Miss Parmelee, \$12.50; for		Parmelee,	
Miss Collins, \$10,	22 50	<i>Steubenville.</i> —Aux., for Miss	10 00
		Parmelee,	
		Total,	\$222 67

INDIANA.

<i>Michigan City.</i> —Aux.,	\$23 95
Total,	\$23 95

MICHIGAN.

<i>Alpine and Walker.</i> —Aux.,	\$2 00
<i>Augusta.</i> —Aux.,	5 00
<i>Charlotte.</i> —Aux.,	17 37
<i>Grand Rapids.</i> —Aux.,	79 00
<i>Jackson.</i> —1st Cong. Ch., Aux., to complete Miss Hollister's salary, and to const. Mrs. A. E. Billings and Miss Mary E. Nash, L. M.s,	50 00
<i>Marshall.</i> —Aux.,	13 00
<i>Union City.</i> —Aux., for Kobe Home,	18 75
Total,	\$185 12

ILLINOIS.

<i>Alton.</i> —Aux., Ch. of the Re- deemer,	\$7 60
<i>Blue Island.</i> —Aux.,	9 50
<i>Chicago.</i> —1st Ch., Aux., \$36.88; Lincoln Park Ch., Aux., \$25; Plymouth Ch., Aux., \$11.30; New Eng. Ch., \$8 84,	82 02
<i>Elgin.</i> —Aux., for Miss Dudley	20 00
<i>Galesburg.</i> —1st Cong. Ch., Aux.,	12 75
<i>Geneseo.</i> —Aux.,	28 27
<i>Granville.</i> —Aux.,	11 60
<i>Oak Park.</i> —Aux.,	17 40
<i>Onarga.</i> —Mrs. L. C. Foster,	20 00
<i>Quincy.</i> —Aux., for Miss Evans,	34 00
<i>Summer Hill.</i> —Aux.,	1 70
<i>Sycamore.</i> —Aux., for Armenia College,	7 00
<i>Wheaton.</i> —Aux., for Miss Dud- ley,	8 84
Total,	\$260 68

WISCONSIN.

<i>Alderly.</i> —Aux.,	\$5 00
<i>Beloit.</i> —Aux., wh. const. Mrs. B. Durham L. M.,	39 13
<i>Darlington.</i> —Aux.,	11 45
<i>Delavan.</i> —Aux.,	39 75
<i>Ft. Atkinson.</i> —Aux.,	10 50
<i>Lancaster.</i> —Shining Lights,	2 50
<i>Ripon.</i> —Aux., wh. const. Mrs. Lucy F. Kenaston L. M.,	25 00
<i>Whitewater.</i> —Aux., for Miss Taylor,	30 38
Total,	\$163 71

IOWA.

<i>Atlantic.</i> —Aux.,	\$5 00
<i>Bowen's Prairie.</i> —Aux., \$5; Sunday School, \$3,	8 00
<i>Carrroll.</i> —Mrs. G. W. Palmer,	10 00
<i>Chester Center.</i> —Aux.,	17 00

<i>Davenport.</i> —Aux.,	\$38.35;
"Wide-Awakes," \$5,	\$43 35
<i>Des Moines.</i> —Plymouth Ch. S. S., for pupil in Miss Porter's school,	22 82
<i>Lansing Ridge.</i> —Ladies' Cent Soc. of German Cong. Ch.,	4 75
<i>Muscatine.</i> —Aux., for Miss Day, and to const. Mrs. A. Pettibone and Mrs. A. Miller L. M.s,	50 00
<i>New Hampton.</i> —Aux., for Miss Day,	3 20
Total,	\$164 12

MINNESOTA BRANCH.

Mrs. J. W. Strong, Northfield, Treas.	
<i>Austin.</i> —Aux., for Miss Bar- rows, and to const. Mrs. Es- ther S. White L. M.,	\$29 00
<i>Minneapolis.</i> —Plym. Ch., Aux., for Miss Barrows,	25 00
<i>Northfield.</i> —Carleton College, Aux., for Armenia College,	17 55
<i>Winona.</i> —Aux., for Assistants in the Kobe School,	78 00
Total,	\$149 55

MISSOURI BRANCH.

Mrs. J. H. Drew, St. Louis, Treas.	
<i>St. Louis.</i> —1st Ch., Aux.,	\$16 00
Total,	\$16 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

<i>Hanover.</i> —Mrs. S. C. Bartlett, wh. const. Miss Amy Blatch- ford, Chicago, L. M.,	\$25 00
Total,	\$25 00

NEW YORK.

<i>New York.</i> —"Silent Workers" of Olivet Chapel, for Olivet Chapel day school, Harpoot, Turkey,	\$6 00
Total,	\$6 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Sale of envelopes and pam- phlets,	\$11 00
Toward expenses of travel of missionary delegate,	2 00
Total,	\$13 00
Total for the month,	\$1,229 80
Previously acknowledged,	773 89
Total,	\$2,003 69

ERRATUM.—In the November Number, \$38.15, credited to the U. P. Ch. Aux., Chicago, should have read \$41.65 from 1st. Ch. Aux., Chicago, of wh. \$25 const. Miss S. E. Gates L. M.

The following "Tabular Statement" was prepared as an appendix to a paper on "The Work of American Women in Foreign Missions," by Mrs. M. B. Norton, read before the Woman's Congress, in Cleveland, O., Oct. 11, 1877.

NAME OF SOCIETY.	Denomin-ation.	Organi-ized.	Periodicals.	Address of Secre'y.	Receipts last Y'r.	Receipts from begin'g.	Auxil-ary Soc's.	Mission-aries.	Native helpers.	Schools.
Woman's Union Missionary Society.	Eight Denomin.	1861.	"Missionary Link."	Miss S. D. Doremus, 47 E. 21st Street, N. Y. City.	\$33,995.91	\$452,685.18	1300	36		
Woman's Board of Missions.	Congrega-tional.	1868.	"Life and Light for Woman," "Missionary Echoes in Well-Spring."	Miss A. R. Child, No. 1 Cong'l House, Beacon St., Boston, Mass.	67,925.21	406,534.51	587	67	54	79
Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior.	"	1868.	"Life and Light for Woman."	Miss S. Follock, 75 Madison Street, Chicago, Ill.	21,765.29	104,417.04	2196	25	35	29
Woman's For. Missy. Soc'y of the M. E. Church.	Methodist.	1869.	"Heathen Woman's Friend."	Mrs. L. H. Daggett, 36 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass.	67,698.27	404,000.00	1143	23	140	138
Woman's For. Missy. Soc'y of the Pres. Church.	Presbyte-rian.	1870.	"Woman's Work for Woman," "Children's Work for Children."	Mrs. A. L. Massey, 1334 Chestnut St., Phila., Pa.	87,659.14	362,233.12	301	87	146	104
† Ladies' Board of Mis-sions.	"	1870.	"Our Mission Field."	Mrs. W. P. Prentice, 9 West 16th St., N. Y. City.	about 24,000.00	112,348.05	558	22	29	25
Woman's Pres. Board of Missions for the N. West.	"	1871.	"Woman's Work for Woman."	Mrs. G. H. Ludin, 48 McCormick Block, Chicago, Ill.	25,390.79	93,049.31	79	24	41	99
Woman's Board of the Syn-od of Albany, N. Y.	"				5,759.27			6		
Woman's For. Missionary Society, Brooklyn, N. Y.	"				1,950.00					
Woman's Bo'rd, Troy, N. Y.	"				1,924.94					
Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society.	Baptist.	1871.	"Help'g Hand."	Miss Mary E. Clarke, 13 Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.	35,925.09	150,643.93	700	21	25	34
Woman's Baptist Foreign Missy Soc'y of the West.	"	1871.	"Help'g Hand."	Mrs. J. O. Brayman, Chicago, Ill.	12,892.39	56,516.74	576	8	17	19
Woman's Auxiliary of Epis-copal.	Prot. Epis-copal.	1872.	"Spirit of Mis-sions."	Miss J. C. Emery, 21 Bible House, N. Y. City.	34,738.44					
Woman's Board of Mis-sions of the Pacific.	Congrega-tional.	1873.		Mrs. S. P. Blakelock, Oakland, Cal.	3,250.05	8,250.00				
Woman's Board of Miss'ns of the Reformed Ch.	Reformed Dutch.	1875.		Miss A. B. Duryee, 40 Park Place, Newark, N. J.	3,825.57	6,716.72	33			

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† Combines Home and Foreign Missions.

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